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Via Messenger

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: STB Finance Docket No. 34110, *Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway LLC—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Bangor & Aroostock Railroad Company, Canadian American Railroad Company, The Northern Vermont Railroad Company Incorporated, Newport & Richford Railroad Company, and Van Buren Bridge Company*

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed please find an original and ten (10) copies of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company's "Petition for Leave to Intervene" to be filed in the above-referenced docket.

Also, enclosed is one additional copy of the Petition for stamp and return. Kindly date-stamp the additional copy for return to this office by messenger.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call. My direct dial number is (202) 263-4105.

Sincerely,


Frederic L. Wood
Michael H. Higgins

cc: Parties of Record
E. C. Wright

**BEFORE THE
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Petitioner, E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company ("DuPont"), pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1112.4, submits this Petition for Leave to Intervene in STB Finance Docket No. 34110, *Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway LLC—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Company, Canadian American Railroad Company, The Northern Vermont Railroad Company Incorporated, Newport & Richford Railroad Company, and Van Buren Bridge Company*, and in support of its petition states, as follows:

1. DuPont is a \$26 billion diversified chemical and life sciences corporation with over 200 manufacturing sites and almost 100,000 employees worldwide. Each year, DuPont and its affiliates ship in excess of 70,000 rail shipments, representing over \$220 million in railroad freight revenue, in a private fleet of over 9,000 rail cars. These shipments are the foundation of DuPont's diverse, global supply chains, and directly produce \$5.5 billion of North American sales and exports.

2. As part of its business operations, DuPont ships carloads of titanium dioxide to paper mills located on the rail lines that the Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway LLC ("MMA") intends to acquire and operate by filing a Notice of Exemption under 49 C.F.R. § 1150.31 *et seq.*

3. Because DuPont ships commodities over the rail lines subject to MMA's acquisition and operation, it has an interest in this proceeding, which interest includes whether MMA has adequate financial resources to ensure the continued viability of the subject lines for rail operations.

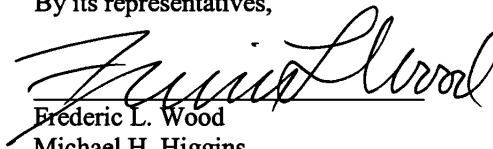
4. DuPont's intervention will neither broaden the issues raised in this proceeding, nor delay its disposition.

WHEREFORE, petitioner, E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, asks that it be made a party of record in this proceeding and granted leave to intervene and to participate fully in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company

By its representatives,



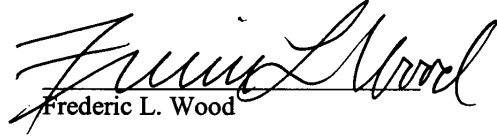
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served on this 23rd day of July, 2002, a copy of the foregoing
Petition for Leave to Intervene of E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company by first-class mail on
all parties of record.


Frederic L. Wood